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Dear Sir:

The attention of the Examiner is invited to consider the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the references are submitted herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the information above be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Certification and/or Fee

Because this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to issuance of the first action on the merits of the above-captioned application, no certification or fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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	AF1	WO 2005/015151 A3	02/2005	WIPO			

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Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

1. an Information Disclosure Statement;
2. a Form PTO-1449 (listing and supplying 27 references); and
3. a return postcard.

Please stamp the attached postcard with the filing date of these documents and return it to our courier.

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any additional fees are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing matter number 20628.002. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

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